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Representative Kelly Townsend Recognized as First Woman to Serve as President of a Convention of States

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative Kelly Townsend (R-16) was recently [recognized](#) for being the first woman to serve as president of a national convention of states. In September 2017, delegates from 19 states met at the Arizona Capitol to begin preparations for a constitutional convention to curb federal spending through a balanced budget amendment.

“I am so honored to have served as president of this planning convention and am thrilled to have been recognized for being the first woman to serve in this role,” said Representative Townsend. **“However, there’s still plenty of work ahead of us to make a balanced budget amendment a reality, and I’m looking forward to continuing to advance the tremendous groundwork laid by the delegates in 2017.”**



Representative Townsend is currently the only living person to have chaired a national convention of states.

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